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SUBJECT: SHABA TASK FORCE: TERMINATION OF OPERATIONS

1. IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT STATE OF PLAY IN SHABA, THE SHABA TASK FORCE WILL TERMINATE ITS OPERATIONS EFFECTIVE 0400Z MAY 23.

2. AFTER THAT, EXCEPT AS NOTED PARA 3, ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THE SHABA CRISIS AND SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS OR FOLLOW-ON ACTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF CENTRAL AFRICAN AFFAIRS (AF/C), ROOM 4246.

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3. ALL CONSULAR MATTERS (WELFARE AND WHEREABOUTS OF AMCITS) SHOULD BE REFERRED TO SCS 632-3015 AND 632-8089.

4. TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF AF/C ARE 632-2080/1; 632-1706/7; AND 632-2216.

5. FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE FROM AF ASSISTANT SECRETARY DICK MOOSE TO ALL CONCERNED:

QUOTE: BY MEANS OF THIS MESSAGE I WISH TO COMMEND IN THE HIGHEST TERMS, THE SHABA TASK FORCE AND ITS MANY COLLABORATORS AT HOME AND ABROAD. WHILE THE MID- AND LONG TERM EFFECTS OF THE LAST WEEK'S EVENTS WILL BE WITH US FOR SOME TIME TO COME, YOUR COLLECTIVE RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS WAS SUPERB. COUNTLESS NUMBERS OF YOU WORKED TIRELESSLY AND WITH GREAT RESOURCEFULNESS AND DEDICATION. TO THOSE OF YOU OUTSIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT I SEND MY THANKS FOR YOUR SPLENDID CONTRIBUTION TO OUR JOINT ENDEAVOR. TO MY STATE DEPARTMENT COLLEAGUES, I EXPRESS MY PRIDE IN THE MANNER IN WHICH YOU LIVED UP TO THE DEPARTMENT'S FINEST TRADITIONS. AND, TO ALL THE

SPOUSES AND FAMILIES WHOSE PLANS AND TIMES TOGETHER HAVE
BEEN DISRUPTED, I OFFER THE REMINDER THAT YOU TOO HAVE
CONTRIBUTED TO A SUCCESSFUL RESPONSE BY THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT TO A COMPELLING HUMANITARIAN SITUATION
AND A SIGNIFICANT FOREIGN POLICY CHALLENGE. UNQUOTE. VANCE

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